

2004 ELECTION

STATE REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT 43



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A fellow kababayan, the honorable Representative Romy M. Mindo came to Hawaii in 1970 from the Province of Romblon. Like Benjamin Cayetano, he is a classic example of how a newly arrived Filipino immigrant through hard work and good character can rise to the top of state government.

Newly arriving in Hawaii, Rep. Mindo started working as a busboy at the Hilton Hawaiian Village Hotel. He then worked as a houseman at the Ala Moana Hotel and Marine Surf Hotel in Waikiki. In June 1971 he was one of the first 19 bellboys out of 400 applicants at the Sheraton Waikiki.

In 1978, Rep. Mindo won the vice presidency of the Hotel workers union Local 5, AFL-CIO and in 1983, served as the president of Local 5 until 1991. Through his meritorious service, Mayor Frank F. Fasi appointed Rep. Mindo to the Police Commission. He also served as a Civil Deputy in the Sheriffs Division of the Department of Public Safety. Rep. Mindo also served as a commissioner for the Department of Housing and Community Development.

As a small businessman, Rep. Mindo operated a restaurant for several years in town and understands the challenges of doing business in Hawaii. He is a member of the Filipino Chamber of Commerce, Ewa Beach Lions Club, Knights of Columbus, International Association of Chiefs of Police, and United Pangasinan of Hawaii.

He was elected to the State House of Representatives in 2002 representing Ewa Beach.

